

**The Smith Family in Trouble.**

Mrs. Smith gave her husband a piece of her mind a few days ago about the size of a door mat. She expressed it as her undivided opinion that no well-regulated family should be without one, and also remarked that they were useful as well as ornamental. Mr. Smith concurred in his wife's opinion, the result of which was that he had a shuck one made. It looked rustic, you know. When he brought it home, he asked Mrs. Smith where it was to be put. She told him to put it in the hall, which he did, and went on his way rejoicing over the fact that he not only had something which no well-regulated family should be without, but had at the same time added a convenience to his home.

But he wasn't done with that mat business yet, for as he stepped into the hall that night when he came home from "lodging," he caught his toe under the edge of it, and had barely time to ask a blessing before he jammed his head against the hat-rack, which came down with a noise that was fearful to hear.

Mrs. Smith knew it was thieves, without going to see, so she just made a dive at the cradle in which Smith the younger had been stowed away for the night, and, unfortunately for Smith the younger, she got hold of the lower instead of the upper end of his "solitary garment," which turned inside out and split the hair of the Smith family right in the middle of the floor. Mrs. Smith was so terrified that she didn't know she had dropped anything, and in just three seconds from the time that Mr. Smith entered the front door, Mrs. Smith, with Smith the younger's shirt flying in the breeze like a flag of truce, was climbing the back fence of the garden and screaming for help at the top of her voice.

When a policeman came to see what was the matter, she told him such frightful stories that he thought she was an escaped lunatic, and started to take her to the station; but had only gone a few steps when Mr. Smith came dashing up, with his hat off and a gasp cut over one eye, holding the naked and yelping Smith the younger in his arms. The policeman supposing it to be a case of abduction, collared Smith and all that saved the whole Smith family from the station house was Smith the younger's shirt, which, though a silent witness, was incontrovertible.

The door mat has been carried to the wood-shed, and the dog now occupied it as a bed.

**Married From "Pike."**

They are rural. No one can mistake them for anything else. They arrived the night before from the interior of the state, and they look brand new all over, but odd like different parts of two pairs of scissors. They are taking a walk now to see the city, and as he holds the back of her arm in the cup of his hand, she leans slightly back against his manly breast. She is willing to go whithersoever he directs. His black clothes have an unearthly gloss; he wears a shining new stove-pipe hat, a black satin vest and he carries a gold-headed cane perpendicularly as if it were a plumb-line.

Mary Jane is as pretty a girl from Pike as you could wish to see, and she is dressed in lavender—all over lavender, because Demorest declared, no later than three years ago, that lavender was a travelling color for brides, and ever since that, rusticity newly-chained would have robbed itself in lavender or perished at the altar. It is delicious to see them as they walk along. They look in all the windows, and when they stop at one more interesting than another, Mary Jane nestles closer than ever. Two hearts beat as one. What do they care? Isn't Bob Mary Jane's B? And isn't Mary Jane Bob's M. J.? Certainly, until death do them part!

Of course there's something to buy, or where's the use of coming to the future great city for the honeymoon? The groom wants some undershirts, and it is perfectly wonderful to watch that little woman so newly called to watch over Bob; to see how she takes upon herself the whole of the commercial transaction, and ignores Bob as if she had been buying his undershirts for twenty years. And then she wants a few things for herself and says quietly, with a pretty little simper: "Now, Bob, you go away for five minutes;" and Bob says, "No he won't either; he's an old married man now—about forty-eight hours old—and he wants to know all that's going on." And then follows some awful spooning right in the eyes of the passing crowd, and the fat clerk with the red face blushes scarlet up to the roots of his back hair, and finally has to ignore Mary Jane and Robert by hanging up an anti-rheumatic under-vest, for a curtain between himself and them.

At the theater they are a sight for gods and men to behold and wonder at. Play, indeed! They couldn't tell you the plot of one act to save their immortal souls. The babes in the wood! Mary Jane and her little lamb! Heaven only knows what they talk about. Every now and then Bob looks down into Mary Jane's bright little eyes, and the little eyes look up into Bob's, which glisten again with run, and then Mary Jane suddenly

hides a blush by the impudent head of wiping her nose, while she taps Master Bob right sharply on his chin with her fan—a tap that wouldn't kill a fly.

At the hotel, the first thing Mary Jane feels called upon to do is to ring the bell, while Bob has gone down to get his hair cut and tell the chambermaid she is married. Information quite unnecessary. The chambermaid knows a bride, as she says, "the minute she slaps her two eyes on her." The situation is, however, so queer and so bran new to Mary Jane, that she has to explain this to the chambermaid, as a reason why Bob and herself are occupying No. 1000 together. Then the chambermaid tells Mary Jane how many brides have been in that very room; and how they looked, and what they said, and how they were all dressed in lavender. And Mary Jane says: "Lord, how odd!" for they sound like a reflection of her happy little self. And when the chambermaid says: "Lord, Miss, youse all the same," Mary Jane don't like it a bit, as if she and her Bob could be like everybody else.

Then when the chambermaid has gone she sits down by the window and looks at her wedding-ring, and and into the busy street; and then she thinks Bob takes a long time to get his hair cut. When Bob returns, which he does chewing coffee or something else to take the "cocktail" off his lips, he conducts Mary Jane down to dinner, and then the trial of the day comes. Everybody is looking at Mary Jane—so she thinks—and Bob orders enough sweet things to give them the dyspepsia for a month, if new married lovers ever had such a ghoul near them. And so we leave them, not exactly in the street, but a picture of the streets nevertheless. —*St. Louis Republican.*

**WHAT PATRONS PROPOSE TO DO.**—1. To secure for themselves, through the Granges, social and educational advantages not otherwise attainable, and thereby, while improving their condition as a class, ennoble farm life, and render it attractive and desirable.

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6. To encourage co-operation in trade, in farming, and in branches of industry, especially those most intimately connected with agriculture.

7. To promote the true unity of the republic, by drawing the best men and women of all parts of the country together in an organization which knows no sectional bonds or prejudices, or owes no party allegiance. —*Rural Sun.*

**BELLINGS.**—How natural it is for a man, when he makes a mistake, to correct it by kissing somebody else for it.

The wimmin ought tew ketch all the phellows who part their hair in the middle, and clap a red flannel petticoat on them.

Here's just what's the matter—if you shut yourself up, folks will run after you, and if you run after folks they will shut themselves up. Ambushun to shine in everything is a sure way to put a man's kandle out.

There is no revenge so complete as forgiveness.

He that desires tew be rich only to be charitable, is not only a wise man but a good man.

Grate welth in our journey thru life is only extra baggage, and wants heaps of watching.

Beware of the man who makes a still noise when he walks, who purrs when he talks; he is a kut in disguise.

A man in North Adams, Massachusetts, had among other property a fine pig, valued at about \$30. This man owed a small sum to another party in town, who conceived the idea of collecting the debt in this wise: He got a third man to present the debtor with a small pig valued at about \$3; and as the law allows a man but one pig, under certain circumstances, the creditor attached the best pig and got his pay.

A gentle Quaker had two horses, a very good and a very poor one. When seen riding the latter, it turned out that his better half had taken the good one. "What!" said a sneering bachelor, "how comes it that you let your wife ride the better horse?" The only reply was: "Friend, when thee be married thee'll know."

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**ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.**—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Green J. Howell deceased, will in obedience to the order of the Probate court of Lincoln county, Missouri, made at the October term of said court for the year 1873, sell on

Wednesday, January 14, 1874,

at public auction at the front door of the court house in the town of Troy in said county, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and three o'clock in the afternoon of said day, and during the session of said court at the January term thereof for 1874, the real estate belonging to the estate of said deceased, situated in Lincoln county, Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit: The undivided one-third part of the 80 acres, being the east half of the southwest quarter of section 23, township 48, range 1 east, clear of dower. Terms—One-third cash, and the balance in six months, with interest from day of sale at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, purchaser to give bond with good and approved security.

dec'd. LEMON B. HOWELL, adm'r.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.**—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of James M. Porter deceased, will in obedience to the order of the Probate court of Lincoln county, Missouri, made at the October term of said court for the year 1873, sell on

Wednesday, January 14, 1874,

at public auction at the front door of the court house in the town of Troy in said county between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and three o'clock p. m. of said day, and during the session of said court, at the January term thereof for 1874, the real estate belonging to the estate of said deceased, situated in Lincoln county, Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit: 200 arpens, beginning at the northeast corner, a stone on the bank of the Mississippi river from which a pean 12 inches in diameter bears north 21 degrees west 20 links, thence west 88 degrees 31 minutes west 222 chains 27 links to northwest corner, a stone in prairie, thence south 14 chains 15 links to southwest corner, a stone in prairie, thence south 88 degrees 30 minutes east 117 chains 27 links to southeast corner a stone on bank of river from which a pin oak 8 inches in diameter bears north 64 degrees west 20 links, thence up the meanderings of the bank of the Mississippi river to place of beginning in survey No. 1550 township 49 range 3 east on the following terms. One half cash and the balance in six months, the purchaser to give bond with good and approved security, bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum.

dec'd. E. G. SITTON, adm'r.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.**—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Francis Niemann, deceased, will in obedience to the order of the Probate court of Lincoln county, Missouri, made at the October term of said court for the year 1873, sell on

Wednesday, January 14, 1874,

at public auction at the front door of the court house in the town of Troy in said county, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and three o'clock p. m. of said day, and during the session of said court at the January term thereof for 1874, the real estate belonging to the estate of said deceased, situated in Lincoln county, Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit: 60 acres in survey 1796 in said county, being the western part of a tract of land originally sold by David Bailey to said Francis Niemann by deed dated — and recorded in book O, page 167, of the records of said county, which original tract so sold by said Bailey to said Niemann, containing 120 acres more or less, 60.00 of said 120 acres having been heretofore sold off the eastern part of said 120 acres by said Niemann to Charles Bozebois by deed recorded in book O, page 613, of said records, leaving still about 60 acres in the western part of said 120 acres, the property of said Francis Niemann, reference being hereby made to said deeds for the metes and bounds of said lands on the following terms. For cash in hand, subject to deed of trust dated January 29, 1860, recorded in book V, page 525, and a mortgage dated September 27, 1864, recorded in book H, on page 557. Caper Huter the assignee of the notes secured by said deed trust and mortgage agreeing to look to the purchaser of said real estate for the balance due him upon said notes so secured.

dec'd. FRANK DIEDERICH, adm'r.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.**—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of William T. Black, deceased, will, in obedience to the order of the Probate Court of Lincoln county, Missouri, made at the October term of said court for the year 1873, sell on

Wednesday, January 14, 1874,

at public auction at the front door of the court house in the town of Troy, in said county, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and three o'clock p. m. of said day, and during the session of said court, at the January term thereof for 1874, the real estate of said deceased, situated in Lincoln county, Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit: west half northeast quarter sec 24 tp. 49 r. 3 west; northeast quarter northwest qr. sec. 24 tp. 49 r. 3 west; east half southeast qr. northeast qr. sec. 24 tp. 49 r. 3 west; southwest qr. southeast sec. 15 tp. 49 r. 3 west; northwest qr. southeast section 20 tp. 49 r. 2 west; 60 acres of north side of the southwest qr. sec. 29 tp. 49 r. 2 west, in all 320 acres, subject to the widow's dower, and on the following terms: One-third cash, one-third in six months and one-third in twelve months, purchaser to give bond with good and approved security for deferred payments, bearing interest from date at the rate of ten per cent. per annum.

dec'd. MARTIN V. ROSELY, Adm'r.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.**—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Nancy Montgomery, deceased, will in obedience to the order of the Probate Court of Lincoln county, Missouri, made at the October term of said court for the year 1873, sell on

Wednesday, January 14, 1874,

at public auction at the front door of the court house in the town of Troy, Lincoln county, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and three o'clock p. m. of said day, and during the session of said court at the January term thereof for 1874, the real estate belonging to the estate of said deceased, situated in Lincoln county, Mo., to-wit: 40 acres, the east half of the northwest quarter of section No. nine, township forty-nine of range one east, on the following terms: One-half cash and the balance in three months without interest, purchaser to give bond with approved security.

dec'd. L. F. YOUNG, Adm'r.